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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 12, 2006 issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the June 12, 2006 Office Action is due July 12, 2006. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Applicants elect to prosecute claims 21-25 of Group III, drawn to a culture medium that comprises *Clostridium Difficile*.

Claims 1-12 of Group I, drawn to a process of culturing *Clostridium Difficile*, are withdrawn at this time.

Claims 13-20 of Group II, drawn to a process of making a toxin, are withdrawn at this time.

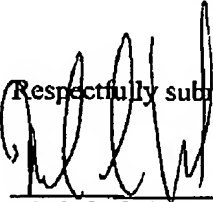
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